



STRENGTHENING SOCIAL SECURITY: BY THE NUMBERS

According to a new Zogby poll, the number of Americans who now support voluntary personal savings accounts as part of Social Security reform¹:

52 percent

According to the same poll, the number of union workers who support voluntary personal savings accounts as part of Social Security reform²:

53 percent

Number of Americans who do not believe that Social Security will be able to pay all promised future benefits³:

62 percent

Amount a 21-year old single mother earning eight dollars an hour over her lifetime could build as a nest egg with a voluntary personal savings account⁴:

\$100,000

Approximate percentage of the projected Social Security shortfall that progressive benefit growth would eliminate⁵:

70 percent

1 Zogby Poll, 5/31/05, www.cato.org/cgi-bin/scripts/printtech.cgi/new/05-05/05-31-05r.html

2 Ibid.

3 Ibid.

4 <http://www.strengtheningsocialsecurity.gov/press/docs/by-the-numbers-5-25-05.pdf>

5 http://www.strengtheningsocialsecurity.gov/press/docs/factsheet_sss-need.pdf